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Application No.: 10/500,401	: Group Art Unit: 2484
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Filed: February 2, 2005	: Examiner: S. Y. Hasan
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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR	:
RECORDING AND REPRODUCING	:
INFORMATION AND COMPUTER PROGRAM x	:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Dear Madam:

In response to the Office Action dated February 2, 2012, finally rejecting claims 1, 4-11, 14-20, and 23-34, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: